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From the Christian Advocate & Journal.

Mr. Editor—Having collected a mite in a day-penny, some years ago, which has been lost by my carelessness to this present time, I send you the following communication for safe keeping.

Forms of Worship an Abomination.—It is no gainsay-knowing, that simple worship i. e. such as is performed in the primitive state, purposeless, superstition undisguised prevails. It is true, however, as a remedy to disorder is indicated the many codes and liturgies of the old and new Union, afford ample testimony.

Watery, in its aggregated relations, is a substance extremely peculiar. Its power of combination is unknown to man, while being but one substance on which it does not act, and on which it does not combine. Taken into the stomach, it dilutes the acids bile, and assists the operations of carbon in relation to cleaning out the whole of the contents of the intestines canal, that may be in the way of digestion. Being absorbed and united with the blood, it facilitates the circulation of that vital fluid, and carries with the noxious matter as fast as it is separated. Finally by its ability to dissolve many and other combustibles, expels the heat, chyle, and cold, lymph, in the human body.

Mr. convinced was the celebrated Dr. Hollman of its virtues, that he exclaims "O all the productions of nature, water comes nearest that universal remedy, so much sought after by chymists, but never discovered."

Dr. Rush, one of whom Mr Wesley speaks, as a person of considerable standing, even as knowledge, and for deep experience, observes, " Out of twenty such persons who are lost in the country, more than two-thirds are lost from excess of wine; they were supplied with abundance of good water."

Formerly, in many instances, water was deemed poison and drunk secret. This error, though not entirely eradicated, is much less frequent than it has been for years past. Doctor Nathan Smith, professor of the theory and practice of physic and surgery in Yale College, instructs his pupils "when persons call for wine, or are cold water to drink, it should never be denied them; but they should be abstained to drink and abstain."

The impression discovery is *the manner of administering the water*, which has given a still every twenty minutes, or half a pint every half hour. Given thus, it is very fatal, even in sixty hours, is productive satisfactory effects in completely removing them. Indeed, its power is believed to be equally efficacious in every case. It should not, however, supersede the use of other remedies, but be used along with them. While the skin is dry and hot, it should always be given cold; but when the skin is moist with sweat, it should be given lukewarm. S.

"A French paper gives the following details with regard to the rapidity of communication by means of the telegraph:—At Paris, says one of its Editors, only twelve leagues, or one hundred miles, by railroad, in two minutes; from Calais, sixty-eight leagues, or two hundred miles, four minutes five seconds; from Toulon, three hundred and fifty miles, in thirteen minutes five seconds; from Bayonne, three hundred miles, in fourteen minutes; from Brest, four hundred and fifty miles, in six minutes five seconds; and from Strasbourg, three hundred and sixty miles, in five minutes thirty-two seconds."

Nat. Intel. Aug. 28, 1827.

"Accounts from Moscow, [300 miles from Paris] state that an attempt was made, by the extensive issue of this paper, to prevent the embarkation of a train of artillery, destined for the Greeks, upon which remonstrances were made to the Russ. By telegraphic orders returned, the armament was allowed to be dispatched to Greece.

Nat. Intel. Aug. 29. 1827.

"In order, if possible, to remove the necessity to communicate with Toulon, would make 400 telegraphic stations to lessen the minister's office in Paris, and be received at the queen house in the city of Marseilles. Let us examine the preceding details in a single hour.

Miles Intelligence trans-mitted.

Paris to Lisle, in 180	360
Calais, 204	248
Toulon, 230	460
Bayonne, 300	600
Brest, 450	900
Strasburg, 360	360
	2,917

Hitherto and thus far in stating plain tidings, making no use of the numeral cipher, which is used in the following words. This rate of motion is about 3 miles *every minute*, or 180 miles *per hour*, or 5000 miles *hourly!* The velocity of motion in the atmosphere is nearly thirteen times greater than the most rapid motion of eighty miles hourly.

Thus a single quality of heavy cannon balls is about four hundred and eighty miles hourly, and consequently a cannon ball of the ordinary velocity of the telegraph, in speaking at the rapid rate of one word per second, would require about two hours. Wanting only the telegraphic apparatus, which is now in operation, and of which a description has been given, we are convinced that a communication might give rise to the most important results, and be of great use in the service of the state.

F. & M. Adv.

News from Greece.—By the packet ship Don Quixote, Captain Clark, at New York, in 40 days from Alexandria, we have received files papers to the 3 of August, and letters of the preceding 1st of September. In the absence of the political intelligence which they contain we have not room for the whole but make room for the following extract from a letter from Smyrna, dated July 30.

"Affairs from Constantinople, in which my mind is anxious, are not yet settled. Reports, in speaking of the capture of the Greeks, by the Turks, are very contradictory. Some say that the Greeks have taken Scio, without hesitation; nevertheless an express arrived here, from Constantinople, the day before yesterday, that the Turks had retaken the island.

The rebellion between Spain and Portugal remained in the same state as at the departure of the brig of Mr. Hernsheim had intercepted the packet of St. Catharine's vessel, that the Spanish army was ready for the moment, entirely embarked. Direction, for the 20th or 25th, to Lisbon. Every day on this point, and nothing yet authorizes the supposition that the Portuguese has triumphed at Mail 11th, the 26th.

From the Baltimore Chronicle.

Our friends to the north-east who have perhaps mistaken us will the following from a letter from a gentleman in Richmond, received here by the Prince Edward, The writer is known to be a gentleman of character and undoubted veracity, and we are pleased to find he considers as favorable the success of the principles of the Tennessellans Meets, in the vicinity of which, every one fellow citizens are so deeply interested.

"The political excitement in the country continues as strong, or stronger, than it was when you left us. The two Presidential Masons here, called the Yankees and Eastern, (York and Southern) are very active in their hatred by opposition to each other, and our minority like Patriots, is secured by many of the most honorable men having established the York Lodge in opposition to the predominance of the Federal conspiracy, as a measure of policy on the part of, and therefore to be met by every genuine, high-toned citizen, and the Eastern Lodge, as a measure of necessity at the time that they would be outrage the Republican spirit of the Constitution and consequences. The fact we believe, is, that the opposition after power and office, have abused the name of Masonry, prostituting it to purely political purposes, attaching themselves to one or other of Lodges, as seemed best suited to accomplish their political views.

There is little doubt that they exercise a most baneful influence over the Masonic Institution, and the spirit of party is probably now more bitter and embittered in the election for President it seems to take place, than at any other, consequence whereof many are attached to distinct Lodges—Rome sects Hostilities, and Jealousies, and the consummation at Vera Cruz; there are both Catholicism. Cruzers in Yorkinism, and in support to extend the fellest cluster of election to the York party of Masons are said to have more extensive influence, and he has also in his favor, his being of an unmixed Mexican blood—The spirit of opposition is so strong, that three times, or their Legislatures, being chiefly composed of Scotch Masons, have formally expressed the plainest of Mr. Pennett as a dangerous man to the liberties of the Republic, and this only on suspicion of his being an active supporter of the York Lodge.

You will understand that the Scotch Masons are the Spanna party in the country, and the York Masons those who are in favor of the Federal Republican system. Mr. Pennett, is considered a sort of mimicker or imposition of the views of the conduct of the Scotch Masons engaged in this country and his town with the Scotch Masonic system, which if they are made of practicable and I must make them feel into the old the system and measures against him.

The last date of July, was celebrated here by the Grand Lodge of the Federal will some style. We gave them a dinner if Miss Tay's garden of Washington Square. The Governor presided, assisted by the Commanders-in-chief and the old men off to general satisfaction.

Sure luck for a Printer.—The editor of the Village Herald," Maryland, tells the paper of the 11th September ashore, "Agreeable receipt of a small packet, or" was Printed and Editor of Mechanics, without the least information.—

"In the present case, no other paper than this was to be applied. His patron immediately sent a white lion upon the office of the Press. We would thankfulness."—*Lexington Gazette.*

Cautious.—A countryman one hundred dollar bill on the United States Bank was detected this morning by one of our city banks, and on the bill being refused, it made part of a large remittance from the country which was received.—As it is probable there are more of the same kind in circulation, we will endeavor to describe the mark by which it may easily be distinguished; on the top near the left hand corner is a small hole, about the size of a pin head, and under the same is a small dot, which is the size of a pin head, and under the same is a small dot, which is the size of a pin head, and under the same is a small dot, which is

Have you always been, and are you now opposed to standing armies in the time of peace? If you have, and have you all always been, inimical to a standing mercial armament?

Are you now, and have you always been opposed to foreign petticoat connexions?

Are you now, and have you always been opposed to the extension of the executive patronage?

Have you always been, and are you now, an advocate for freedom of religion, and freedom of the press?

Have you, and have you always been friendly to economy in the public disbursements, necessary to the support of lease?

And lastly, are you a republican in principle and will you be a republican in practice?

The above questions are put, to you by a sincere friend in order to know if you are a sincere friend in principle to me, and while in very much disposed to extend to you his little political support. He expects, however, that these questions will be answered with your usual candor and other solidness. The latter is no confidential, nor will your answer be viewed in such—it is so with for the gratification of inquiring friends, as myself.

Accept, sir, of my respects, and believe it to be your most obedient servant.

ANDREW JACKSON.

HON. WM. BIDDLE.

NEW GOODS.

THE subscribers have just received from Philadelphia and Baltimore, a large and very general assortment of

Foreign and Domestic, COTTON and WOOLLEN GOODS;

Suited to the present and approaching seasons—Also,

A HANDSOME ASSORTMENT of Ladies and childrens Leather and Morocco SHOES.

Ladies and gentlemens Plaid and Cambric CLOAKS,

Queensware, Glassware, and Hardware,

CASTINGS, NAILS & STEEL,

Window Glass, &c.

FRESH GROCERIES, viz. WINES, LIQUORS &c.

HATTERS TRIMMINGS,

SCHOOL BOOKS & STATIONERY

All of which they offer for sale, at prices suited to the times, for cash—or any kind of wheat or produce in hand, they can be disposed of.

Vincennes, Sept. 1827. 2m-37

NEW GOODS.

THE subscriber has just received from Philadelphia and Baltimore, a new and very general assortment of

MERCHANDIZE,

CONSISTING OF

Spring and Summer DRY GOODS,

AN extensive assortment of Hardware, Cutlery, Glass, and Queensware,

FRESH GROCERIES—of the latest importation, and of the first quality.

All of which are offered for sale at the lowest cash prices.

14-3m May 10, 1827.

NOTICE

to purchasers of Public Lands;

RECEIVER'S OFFICE, AT VINCENNES, } September 1st, 1827.

IN pursuance of instructions from the honorable the Secretary of the Treasury, the purchasers of public lands, in the district of Vincennes, are hereby notified, that from and after the 31st of next December, the receipts of the notes said lands or their transfer will be discontinued at this office. Therefore, those persons who have payments to make into this office, will after that period, provide themselves with specie, or notes of the United State's Bank or its Branches.

J. C. SHARRISON, Receiver.

October 25, 1827 3m-41

Rags! Rags! Rags!

CASH or WORK will be given for any quantity of clean Linnen or Cotton RAGS at the WESTERN SUN office.

NEW GOODS.

THE subscriber has just received a general assortment of

British, French & American

DRY GOODS,

HARDWARE & CUTLERY

Queens and Glassware,

A genral assortment of

GROCERIES,

SHOES & BONNETS.

A large assortment of

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Three hundred barrels

Kentucky Salt,

Together with an assortment of

IRON & PLOW PLATES,

All of which will be sold at the lowest prices for cash.

WM. BURTCH.

May 10, 1827.

NEW GOODS.

THE subscriber has just received from Philadelphia and Baltimore a large and general assortment of

JOHN R. M LEROY

HAS just received a handsome supply of GOODS suitable for the present and approaching seasons, which he will dispose of on the most accommodating terms for cash or country produce. He has also on hand a large assortment of the best quality of

Beef Cattle, Feathers,
Lard Hogs, Tallow,
Oats & Corn, Dryed Peaches,
Beans, Beeswax, Flax and Tow Linen,

and any other article suitable for the New Orleans market, which he will purchase for the 1st of December next.

Vincennes, October 1827 3m-40

Administrator's Notice.

ALL persons having demands against the estate of Woodson Wilkins, deceased, are hereby notified to present them legally authenticated for settlement within one year from the 1st of April inst. and all those indebted to said estate, are requested to make payment to

JAMES SMITH,
CHRISTIAN WILHITE, } Admrs
October 1st, 1827. 3w-37

FRESH MEDICINES.

DOCTOR Richardson's Medicine Store, for the citizens of the Wabash country, and the public generally shall be kept constantly supplied.

MEDICINE STORE

On Shakespeare's corner, Mr. Stevenson's store, in the room formerly occupied by Dr. Richardson as his store keeping Medicines just received. During the month of August, a large and handsome assortment of the most valuable and general Medicines, to complete the assortment already on hand, and now in use from the Medicine Store, and the public generally may be assured that the subscriber will use his utmost exertions to render satisfaction the advantage of correct prescriptions, which will be obtained—Physicians purchasing, may be assured of correct and punctual attention, and of genuine quality; none other will be offered—Those who trade their produce to favor him with their custom—Country merchants may find it to their interest to make a call, or send their orders as they may want.

L. M. NAMEE.

Vincennes, May 18, 1827—12-tf

N. B. The Doctor expect shortly to offer to the citizens of Vincennes, and vicinity, his services for recovering his health, so to be able to settle Doctor M. Magee in the shortest possible time, because his Practice, which he will do the employ of Dr. Mc Namee.

J. D. WOOLVERTON.

LAFAYETTE HALL

THE subscriber has opened a PUBLIC HOUSE, in SALEM, Indiana, at the usual Stage stopping place, opposite Wm. Baird, on South Main street. The building has been completely fitted up for the purpose—He has attached to his house an extensive BRICK YARD, furnished with a number of moulds of the sizes— Travellers who call at his house, will be furnished with Flour cakes giving the distance from Salem, to all the principal towns in the state, and the public houses kept in the same.

HENRY S HANDY.

Salem, October, 1827.

NOTICE.

S. Judah & J. A. Lagow,

HAVING, in future, practise LAW in partnership.

20-3m Vincennes, June 1827.

A Farm for Sale.

SITUATED five miles north of Vincennes, immediately upon the west bank of the Wabash—Illinois country lying one hundred acres, sixty of which are improved, under good fence, and in cultivation, the remainder is principally timber. On the premises is a good frame

Kitchen, Smoke-House,

&c. all in excellent repair. The situation of this farm is beautiful, the soil rich, and for the purpose of raising STOCK, no place can possess greater advantages, being in the settlement range immediately adjoining, which there is no probability will be soon disturbed—The above will be sold on accommodating terms, for more than one half the real cost of the improvements. For particulars apply to

J. & S. SMITH.

Vincennes, Nov. 1827. 3m-44

Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of a certain writ of venditioni exponas and vend ex exponas to me issued from the Clerk's office of the Knox Circuit court, I shall expose to public sale, to the highest bidder on Vincennes, on Monday the 5th day of November next, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 5 o'clock p.m. and successively on each succeeding day thereafter, (Sundays excepted) and also at the sale of William N. Perry which commenced on the 3d inst. and continued over until this day, the following property, to wit:

1 Bay mare, 4 years old, 1 Sorrel mare, 4 years old, 1 Bay mare, 5 years old, 1 Bay mare, 6 years old, 1 Bay mare, 7 years old, 1 Bay mare, 8 years old, 1 Bay mare, 9 years old, 1 Bay mare,

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I am informed by a gentleman from Sullivan county, that at the late election in that county in this state, it was easy to see upon the Presidency, in consequence of Mr. Jackson's fine company, who is supported that whole county, 64 in number, there in favor of Gen. Jackson.

It is also stated to me, by a gentleman from Jackson county, that at the late Representative election in that county, the enormous majority of 1000 votes, was given, which was about the whole registered, (with the exception of 13 or 20) was in favor of Jackson.

The Louisville Public Advertiser, says that Mr. Ayres, a gentleman master in the town of Rockville, Parke county, Ia. a store on the Presidential question, and the result was 297 for Jackson, and 155 for Adams.

Charlestown, Sept. 27. — Married on Friday evening, the 14th inst. by the Rev'd. *R. Menamed*, the Hon. *Jonathan Jennings*, to Miss *Christina Barker*, both of this place.

Red Amber.—In papers from the Red River papers, that Red Amber, the celebrated Indian chief, has been deposed by the chiefs of the tribes of the Six Nations, and his authority, and the position to all intercourse prepossessed by the white.

Daniel P. Cook, Esq. has a member of congress from the state of Illinois, by a majority of six hundred. His election took place on the 16th October, which had been a preliminary election, was contested and gradually preying upon the system, for several years. He was considered an able representative.

Elections in Canada.—The result of the late election for members to the provincial parliament, is a complete triumph of the Canadian party over the British party. Of the fifty members, forty-two are opposed to the present administration, and only eight for it, in their interpretation of the constitutional powers of the crown, which caused the late dissolution of the provincial parliament by the action of the provincial governor. The number of members returned to the house of representatives who support the administration, is so small as to scarcely warrant the governor to call it together.

Mysterious Curiosity.—We have seen a stone found on the shores of Lake Erie, which in appearance and shape is so much like a human head, that it has been called a petrified head. Hair, face, forehead, eyebrows, eyelids, nose, mouth, chin, whiskers, and even the ears, are so perfectly formed, that it would be difficult, however, to suppose this to be a work of nature, without the aid of a skilful appearance of design, and yet we know of no art which could produce it.

New York, Oct 12.—We have received by the packet-ship Birmingham, captain Harris, which arrived last evening from Liverpool, the regular line of London packets to the 7th, and Liverpool to the 6th inclusive. We are indebted to express from our host advices, the new Ministry were definitely settled on the 5th inst.

The intelligence from Greece is rather more favorable. Reschid Bey has had a bad game to Acarnania, where he had effected nothing. The Greeks have plundered their wives and children within the natural fortresses of the country, and left no provisions and intercepted his supplies, so as to prevent his from ever leaving any distance from the coast. Having any distance from the coast. Having any distance from the coast. Having

Poetical.

"INSPIRATIONS OF THE SOUL.

The high born soul
Disdains to rest her heaven-inherited mien
Beneath its native quarry. Tired of earth
And the flaunted stone, she springs aloft,
Through fields of air pursues the flying
steed
Rides on the volley'd lightning through the
heavens,
Or, yoked with whirlwinds and the northern
blast,
Sweeps the long track of day. Then high
the rears
The blue pinioned, & her wing'd flight on,
Bathes like a sparkling star in the profound
Of light; beholds its unimagined world
Beneath, rejoices in its bright dominion.
The fond sounds of time. Tho'ts far off
Of the distant and the dead, the waste forever
Of desolated years, and glory gone,
Enabling circles the pavement of heaven.
Oft nature, with bent look, at all the stars,
Whose blended light, as with a milky zone,
Incircles the void plain, and studs the wide
The empyreal waste, where kingly splits
Beyond this concave heaven, their state
build:
And thirsts of radiance, whose unfolding light
Has travel'd the profound six thousand years,
Nor yet arrived in sight of mortal beings.
Even on the horizon of the world beheld
She meditates the eternal depth below;
Till hid in mists, down the insulting main
She plunges; soon o'erwhelmed and amid
the floods
Of the dread rivers, in their vaulted beds
Rests the cold grot. Far from the lurk
Of mortal ear, unfathom'd Motive cool,
Untouch'd by human eye or tasted delight,
Nor is by feeling reach'd or known,
Passes the purple robes, or pleasure's flowery
lap.
The soul sicmbl find enjoyment; but from
these
Turning disdainful in cold guard.
Through all the silence of the sightless deep,
Amid
Till every bound at length should disappear,
And nature perfect rise to close the scene.
Alexander.

THE OCEAN.

The ocean surrounds the earth on all sides and penetrates into the interior parts of different countries, sometimes by large openings, and frequently by small straits —Could the eye take in this immense field of water at one view it would appear the most august object under the whole heavens. It occupies a space on the surface of the globe at least three times greater than that which is occupied by the land; comprehending an extent of 148 millions of square miles. Though the ocean strictly speaking, be but one immense body of waters, extending in different directions, yet different names have been appropriated to different portions of its surface. That portion of its waters which rolls between the western coast of America and the eastern shores of Asia, is called the *Pacific* ocean; and this portion which separates Europe and Africa from America, the *Atlantic* ocean. Other portions are termed, the *Northern*, *Southern* and *Indian* oceans — When its waters penetrate into the land, they form what are termed gulfs, and Mediterranean seas. But without following it through all its windings and divisions it shall simply state a few general facts.

With regard to the *depth* of this body of water, no certain conclusions have yet been formed. Before a certain depth it has hitherto been found unfathomable — We know, in general, that the depth of the sea increases gradually as we leave the shore; but we have reason to believe that this increase of depth continues only to a certain distance. The numerous islands scattered every where through the ocean, demonstrate that the bottom of the water, so far from uniformly sinking, sometimes rises into lofty mountains. It is highly probable that the depth of the sea is somewhat in proportion to the elevation of the land; for there is some region to conclude, that the great bed of the ocean formed the inhabited part of the ancient world, previous to the general deluge, and that we are now occupying the bed of the former ocean; and, if so itgreatest depth will not exceed four or five miles; for there is no mountain that rises higher above the level of the sea. But the sea has never been known to extend to a greater depth than a mile and 66 feet. Along the coast its depth has always been found progressive gate to the height of the shore; where the coast is high and mountainous the sea is found to be deep, but where the coast is low, the water is shallow. To take the greatest depth of the Atlantic ocean, we must therefore suppose a medium depth. If we reckon the average depth at one mile, it will contain 296 millions of cubical miles of water. We shall have a very imperfect idea of this enormous mass of water, if we consider that it is sufficient to cover the whole globe to the depth of a mile, than eight thousand feet; and if this water were reduced to one spherical mass, it would make a globe of more than 800 miles in diameter.

With regard to its *bottom* — As the sea covers more than two-thirds of the globe, we should, no doubt, by exploring its interior, discover a vast inequality of surface, and objects so far as the bed of the ocean has been explored. It is found to be a great resemblance to the surface of the dry land: being full in full of plains, caverns, dens of wild beasts, and also of most perpendicular, while others rise with a gentle ascclivity, and sometimes the surface of water and form islands. The materials too, with which impose the bottom of the sea are the same with those the basis of the dry land. It also resembles the land in another respect, namely, in containing springs, and even rivers rise on it; an instance of which is seen near Goh, at the mouth of the Hudson, and in the Mediterranean sea, not far from Marseilles. A sea resembles the land in *different colour*. The materials which compose its bottom, cause it to reflect different hues in different places: and its appearance is also affected by the winds and sun. While the clouds are at rest, they communicate all the varied and fleeting colors When the sun appears it is green; when it passes through a fog it is yellow; near the poles it is black; while in the torrid zone, its color is often brown; and, on certain occasions, it assumes a luminous appearance, which is called *phosphoric*.

The ocean has *three kinds of motion*. The first is that undulation which is produced by the wind, and which is entirely confined to its surface. It is now accertained, that this motion can be destroyed, and its surface made smooth by throwing oil upon its waves. The second motion is that continual tendency which the whole water in the sea has towards the west, which is greater near the equator than towards the poles. It begins on the west side of America, where it is moderate; but as the waters advance westward, their motion is accelerated: and after having traversed the globe, they return, and strike with great violence on the *eastern* shore of America. Being stopped by that continent, they rush with an impetuosity to the gulf of Mexico, thence they proceed along the coast of North America, till they come to the south side of Newfoundland, when they turn off and run down through the Western isles. This motion is most probably owing to the diurnal revolution of the earth on its axis, which is in a direction contrary to the motion of the sea. The second motion of the sea is the *tide*, which is a regular swell of the ocean every 12 hours This flood progress ance ascertained to be owing to the attractive influence of the moon, and also partly to that of the sun. There is always a flow and ebb on the same line in two parts of the globe, and these are opposite to each other, so that when one Antipodes has high water, we have the same. Were not the attractive powers of the sun and moon not in the same direction, which happens at the time of new and full moon, we have the highest or *spring tides*; but when they are attracting in opposite directions, or at right angles to each other, which happens at the quarters, we have the lowest or *neap tides*.

Such is the ocean, a most stupendous scene of Omnipotence which forms the most conspicuous feature of the globe we inhabit. — When we stand on the sea shore and cast our eye over the expanse of its waters, till the sky and waves seem to mingle; all that the eye can take at one survey, is but an inconsiderable speck, less than the 100 1000th part of the whole of this vast abyss. If every drop of water can be divided into 60 millions of distinct parts, as some philosophers have demonstrated, what an immense assemblage of watery particles must be contained in the unfathomable caverns of the ocean! How the powers of calculation are completely at defiance, and no longer capable of numbering our endless duration, is presented to the mind. This mighty expanse of waters is the grand reservoir of nature, and the source of evaporation, which enriches the earth with fertility, and refreshes Every cloud which floats in the atmosphere, and every fountain and river that flows and ocean, are indebted to this inexhaustible source for those watery treasures which they distribute through every region of the land. In fine, whether we consider the ocean as teeming with innumerable billows in the midst of the tempest, or as stretched out into a smooth expanse—whether we consider it as unmeasurable extent, its mighty movements, or the innumerable beings which glide through its rolling waves—we cannot but be struck with astonishment at the grandeur of the Omnipotent Being who holds its waters "in the hollow of his hand," and who has said to its foaming surges "Hitherto shalt thou come, and no farther, and here shall thy proud waves be stayed." — *Dick's Christian Philosopher.*

Origin of Christianity — No conformity of circumstances can account for the origin of christianity. A Being known to the world only as a Jewish peasant, delivered a system of doctrine, which overthrew not merely some feeble philosophy, or some harsh and unpopular superstitions, but both the theory and establishment of the state of religion, guarded and fought for by the armed strength of the most powerful government of the greatest [illegible] empires. — Thousands and tens of thousands owed their daily bread to their connexion with that religion. — Millions on millions had identified it with all their conceptions of life, of enjoyment, and of that obscure hope in which the heathen saw a life to come. The noble families owed a large portion of their rank and influence to it — The emperor himself was the high priest. Old tradition invested with living power. Rome held it the pledge of safety to the empire; a tutored protector, without which the glories of Roman dominion were destined to inevitable ruin. Yet against this colossal and powerful combination, against common work of subtlety and strength, stood forth a solitary Being, and all his work of the simple gift, the great fortress that towered up to heaven, came wall and gate to the ground. And how was this deed done? By nothing that can find a parallel in the history of human impulse. Signal Austerity, enthusiasm, wealth, military genius the promise of political success, visionary and fearful ones the displays of a sensual paradise, have made proselytes in barbarous ages or among the loose creeds of contending heresy.

But the Founder of christianity can assert any all those weapons of our lower nature He shrunk from no declaration of the most unpalatable truth. He told the Jew that his spiritual pride was a deadly crime He declared that his self-vaunted religion of the Gentile was a deadly crime. He plucked up the temporal ambition of the Galilean by the roots, and told them that if they were to be great, it must be through the service. In the full view of unpopularity, desertion, and death, he propounded to the Jews the exhibition of their national existence, to the disciples, their lives of persecution. At the time of his death, his unarmed and unresisting band beyond his despised province; and when at length reached Rome it was known only contemptuously in connexion with that of a crowd of unfortunate men condemned to the rack and flame. Yet within the life of man, his religion was constituted the worship of emperors and people the doctrines ever acknowledged as inspiration, and the civilized world bowed down at the feet of him as the God man the heaven, and heaven of heavens cannot contain Those wonders are familiar to the christian, but they are still wonders the mightiest phenomena on which the spirit of man can gaze. the sins of our mortal twilight are worthy of our loftiest admiration, till the game of the grave shall be unburied, and the vision of glory shall spread before us without a cloud.

A faithful friend is he who will give me one leaf when he has but two.

Flocks perish—relations die—friends are not immortal—you will die yourself, but I know one thing alone that is out of the reach of fate, and that is the judgment which is passed upon the dead.

There is a tree in Mexicana, which is so tender that a man cannot touch any of its branches but it withers presently.

If we wish to break off from evil habits, we shall never do it *till we try.*